

Church Matters.

Religious Notices.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Rev. H. W. Ballantine, Pastor. Public worship on the Sabbath at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday-school at 12 M. Sunday-school prayer meeting, Sabbath, at 7 P. M. Weekly prayer meeting, Thursday, at 7.45 P. M.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.—Rev. Ezra D. Simons, Pastor. Sunday services: Preaching, 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M.; Sunday-school, 12 M. The Lord's Supper on the first Sabbath of each month, close of morning service. Weekly prayer meeting every Thursday evening at 7.45 o'clock.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—Rev. D. R. Lowrie, Pastor. Sunday services: Preaching, 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M.; Sunday-school at 2.30 P. M. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7.45. Class meetings Tuesday and Friday evenings at 7.45.

THE WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Fremont street, corner Franklin. Rev. S. W. Duffield, Pastor. Sabbath services, 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday-school, 12 M. Weekly prayer meeting at 8 o'clock each Thursday evening, in Chapel parlor.

CHRIST CHURCH (EPISCOPAL).—Liberty street. Rev. W. G. Farrington, D.D., Rector. Morning service 10.30 o'clock; Sunday-school at 9.30 A. M.

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART.—Rev. J. M. Nardiello, Pastor. First mass, 8.30 A. M.; High mass, 10.30 A. M.; Vespers, 3 P. M.; Sunday-school, 2.30 P. M.

BERKELEY UNION SABBATH SCHOOL.—Held in Berkeley school-house, Bloomfield Avenue, every Sunday, at 3 o'clock P. M. John A. Skinner, Superintendent. All are welcome.

WATSESSING M. E. CHURCH.—Rev. J. Cowans, Pastor. Sunday services: Preaching, 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M.; Sunday-school, 2.30 P. M. Prayer meeting, Thursday evening at 7.45. Class meeting on Tuesday evening at 7.45.

ST. PAUL'S PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH (WATSESSING).—Rev. Daniel I. Edwards, Rector. Morning service, 10.30 o'clock; evening service, 8; Sunday-school, 3 P. M.

GERMAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Rev. John M. Einslin, Pastor. Hours of service, 10.30 A. M. Sunday-school, 3 P. M. Prayer meeting, Tuesday evening, 7.45.

REFORMED CHURCH, BROOKDALE.—Rev. ———, Pastor. Sabbath services, 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday-school, 9 A. M. E. G. Day, Superintendent. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening.

HOPE CHAPEL. Sunday-school every Sabbath at 3.30 P. M. Mr. John G. Broughton, Superintendent.

SILVER LAKE.—Sabbath-school held every Sunday, in the hall, at 3 P. M. Charles A. Hubbs, Superintendent. Gospel meeting every Sabbath evening at 7.45 o'clock. Weekly Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening.

THE PROFESSOR OF HEBREW in the Theological Seminary.—Rev. Mr. Kassowich, occupied the pulpit of the German Church last Sunday morning.

THE REV. DR. CLAPP, of New York city, will deliver the pulpit of the Old Church on Sabbath, both morning and evening.

REV. DR. SEIBERT has been selected by the German churches of Newark and Essex County as orator for the celebration of the 40th anniversary of Martin Luther's birthday, November 10th next.

Bloomfield Sunday-school Teachers' Normal Class.

The first meeting of the season will be held next Wednesday evening, Sept. 26, in the Lecture Room of the First Presbyterian Church. The exercises will be entirely of a social character, and will no doubt be exceedingly enjoyable. It is earnestly hoped that the pastors, teachers, and officers of all the Sabbath schools in the association will be fully represented on this occasion.

The meeting will begin promptly at 8 o'clock.

The Seminary Lectures.

The autumn course of lectures will commence in October. The following are the lectures and subjects: Two lectures on "Oriental Inscriptions and the Early History of Writing," and "Oriental Inscriptions and the Bible," by Rev. William H. Ward, D.D., of the New York Independent. A lecture on "Light thrown on the Bible by Exploration and Discovery in the East," by Rev. Howard Crosby, D.D. Four lectures by Professor Harry E. Richards on Geology with magic lantern illustrations; and a lecture by Dr. Knox on "Theories of Education." The Lecture Room has been enlarged, and we are sure that many persons in Bloomfield will be glad to avail themselves of the course opened to them.

Died.

Sept. 19, 1883, after a very brief illness, of typhoid pneumonia, Joseph M. Ritter, civil engineer, aged 42 years 11 months 11 days.

During the late civil war he served, by appointment from the State of Indiana, as First Lieutenant in the 11th Regiment, Regular U. S. Infantry, from May 14, 1861, to July 16, 1864.

He had been a resident of Bloomfield for several years, and leaves a wife and three children.

A CALM, self-possessed young lady in a village "Down East" received a long call the other day from a prying old spinster, who, after prolonging her stay beyond even her own conception of the young lady's endurance, came to the main question which had brought her thither. "I've been asked a good many times if you were engaged to Dr. N. Now, if folks inquire again whether you are or not, what shall I tell 'em I think?" "Tell them," answered the young lady, fixing her calm blue eyes in unblinking steadiness upon the inquisitive features of her interrogator, "Tell them that you think you don't know, and you are sure it is none of your business."

A Mistake Rectified.

The following letter is furnished by the writer, contradicting serious charges made by him, damaging to the character of Harry Cooper, an employee of Lewis Dawkins:

Bloomfield, N. J.:
DEAR SIR: I want to state to you that I was entirely mistaken in saying that I had paid to your son Harry four dollars. His employer, on Sept. 3, I now remember that the young man to whom I gave the money was a clerk for William Colfax. I am very sorry, indeed, that I should have charged your son with stealing the money, and that I made any complaint against him; and I sign this paper in order that you may be able to show that what I said was unjust, and not true.
MICHAEL OWENS.

September 20, 1883.

The Republican Convention.

The Republican Convention on Tuesday did as that a convention can do to put its party on the highway to success. It was composed of men who truly represented the earnest, thoughtful voters of this State, and they did their work with spirit and with wisdom.

The platform is brief and to the point, and embodies the most progressive politics of the day. It is as follows:—

1. We reaffirm as to all questions of Federal policy the doctrines enunciated by the last Republican National Convention.

2. We cordially approve the wise and conservative course of President Arthur's administration.

3. We congratulate the country upon the successful application of the principles of genuine Civil Service Reform in the National Administration, and favor the adoption of the system in all branches of our State government.

4. We believe that the prosperity and happiness of our own people are inseparably connected with the maintenance of a tariff so adjusted as to give full protection to home labor and industry and sufficient to develop all the resources of the country, and favor such wise and proper State legislation as will protect honest labor from unfair competition.

5. We demand such a prudent and economical administration of the affairs of the State as will make needless any direct State tax.

6. We hold it to be one of the most imperative demands of the time that our system of State taxation should be so exactly equitable as to reach all corporations, as well as all individuals—"all property to be taxed," in the language of the Constitution, under general laws, and by uniform rules, according to its true value; that we are opposed to all encroachments of corporate power upon popular rights, and we demand that all monopolies which oppress the people, and unfairly discriminate against their interests, shall be curbed and restrained by proper legislation.

7. We favor legislation looking toward the adequate protection and further development of our fisheries.

8. We pledge to the candidate of this convention our earnest, hearty, and enthusiastic support.

Judge Dixon, the nominee, was born in Liverpool, and while yet a child, his parents moved to New Brunswick, New Jersey. Owing to the humble circumstances of his parents, young Dixon was compelled at an early age to make his own way in the world, and obtained employment in the office of the late Judge Hardberg. His natural aptitude and eagerness to learn were noted by his employer, who assisted him in obtaining an education. He was graduated from Rutgers College in the class of 1859, and when admitted to the bar, he soon acquired a leading position in his profession in Jersey City, where he began to practice. In 1875 he was appointed a Justice of the Supreme Court by Governor Bedle, and was reappointed in 1880, and in 1882. Judge Dixon, who is still holds. He is universally esteemed for his straightforward earnestness and honesty of character, and his marked mental ability and executive force are as universally acknowledged. Judge Dixon is forty-four years old—in the prime of vigorous manhood.

A Soft Answer.

"Can I see the lady of the house?" inquired the peddler.

"Well, yes, you can if you ain't blind!" snapped the woman who had answered the bell.

"Oh, beg pardon, madam; you are the lady of the house, then?"

"Yes, I am! What d'yer take me fur? Did yer think I was the gentleman of the house, or the next door neighbor, or one of the farm hands, or the cat, or the ice-chest?"

"I didn't know, madam, but you might be the youngest daughter."

"Oh, did yer? Well, that was nat'ral, too," replied the lady of the house.

"What d'yer want, sir?"

Then the peddler displayed his wares, and when he left that doorstep half an hour later his face was full of pleasure, and his pockets were full of money. He understood human nature and had made a good sale.—*Boston Transcript.*

The Louisville Courier-Journal prints the following, showing why the sparrow must go:

Steals wheat.
Eats few moths.
Makes too much noise.
Picks off blossoms.
Eats early lettuce.
Dresses up useful birds.
Disfigures buildings.
Befools gutters.
Can't sing.

"You haf fifty cents charged on my pill for a bath," he said to the hotel cashier at Long Branch. "Well, isn't that correct?" "No, sare," replied the dispenser, "dot ish nod correct—none of my families effer dake a bath." The amount was scratched off.

A MAN lately applied at a butcher's shop for a "liver pad."

BUSINESS NOTICES.

For the convenience of their customers, Messrs. Gilbert and Taylor have opened an office at the store of J. D. Cooper, where orders for coal or kindling wood may be left.

E. WILDE, in the Center, has just laid in a supply of J. B. David's inks, mucilage. They got the contract for Government supply over all competitors, on their merits. So if you want a reliable article, give him a call.

[SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE OF THE CITIZEN.]

The Democratic State Convention.

NEWARK, N. J., Sept. 18, 1883.

To The Bloomfield Citizen:

I had intended writing for your last week's issue, concerning some of the things seen, heard, and done at the recent Democratic Convention at Trenton, but my late return prevented.

On Wednesday afternoon, at about 6 P. M., I reached Trenton, having made the trip on the Central R. R. in the company of Mr. Andrew Albright, the candidate of Essex County.

Mr. Albright seemed reasonably confident of securing the nomination, but it only needed a few hours at Trenton on Wednesday night to convince any impartial observer that he was practically out of the race. The feeling was very pronounced in favor of Leon Abbett, of Hudson County, and even found voice in the delegation from Albright's own home.

At the Trenton House, where I stopped, Senator Cochran, from Sussex, had his headquarters. The Senator was enacting the role of the dark horse, and he will be able to take the same part at some subsequent convention; but the convention might have nominated a less pleasing and affable gentleman. There, also, was Mr. Hendrickson, another tall, rather imposing, light complexioned, dark horse.

Mr. Albright held forth at the National Hotel, around the corner, and the substantial character of his entertainment showed his return to be filled far into the night. Mr. Abbett, Judge Whitaker, and Hon. Augustus W. Cutler showed their dignity and good sense by staying at home.

All Wednesday evening the halls of the Trenton House were full, and there could be seen gathered in little knots, engaged in earnest conversation, the well known forms of "Staff" Little, Orestes Cleveland, Benjamin F. Lee, Governor Godman L. Price, Hon. Ludlow McCarter, and a host of other men of position and repute from all parts of the State. Here also the local magnate could be seen surrounded by his admiring friends, expounding to them their duties on the morrow.

It was easy to see that Abbett was the coming man. Everybody was for him; from almost all counties he had support; in many, where local pride carried votes to a local candidate, Abbett was really the first choice, and probably the only man who ever stood at the head of a delegation him was Judge Whitaker, who had a large following from the Southern counties.

On Wednesday night almost all the counties held caucuses, and the result in connection with the caucuses of the day, comparatively few was the unit rule enforced. The Essex delegation, with but few dissenting voices, voted to give to Andrew Albright one vote in convention, and then to allow each delegate to vote as seemed to him meet. Far into the night the canvassing continued, and when, at two o'clock, your weary correspondent went to bed, it was still booming.

Thursday dawned clear, and the day turned out pleasant. The political skies were clear, and the sun shone brightly. The morning showed Abbett in the ascendant. Attorney-General John P. Stockton and Hon. Joel Parker, on whose great popularity and strength the small opposition Leon Abbett had relied, both absolutely declined to run. In their absence no one was left among the leading candidates who, in ability or reputation, compared with the gentleman who finally obtained the nomination.

The convention assembled at about one o'clock, and was seen from the great circle of Taylor's Opera House, where I sat, presented an imposing appearance. It has been my fortune to attend as a spectator a number of conventions of both parties in different States, and never have I seen a more highly respectable body of men.

A glance at the convention showed that it was not composed of party hacks and ward politicians, but of men of high standing and of sober mind, and their abstinence of the party from the whole State, and convinced the onlooker at once that the nominee of the convention would not, could not, owe his success to adroit wirepulling, but to the deep-seated, calm conviction of sober men that he was the best man before the convention.

So it turned out, for on the second ballot Hon. Leon Abbett, of Hudson County, was nominated, as it was evident from the first that he would be. He was head and shoulders above the rest, and took his proper place. Composed as it was, the convention would have been untrue to itself if it had made any other nomination.

The nominee is too well known to need any introduction. He is a lawyer of large practice and commanding ability, and will undoubtedly make a Governor of whom the State may be proud. He is, at all events, the deliberate choice of the Democratic party over all others now available, and by their choice the Democratic party will stand or fall as the people may decide in November.

JESSE.

To feel as well dressed as the other women around her is to set any woman at her ease, whencesoever she may have come; to feel much better dressed is to add radiance to that ease.—*William Black.*

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